(c) whether some more Public Sector Units in that State are likely to fall sick if the situation remains the same; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI BHAGEY GOBARDHAN): (a) Performance of the three out of Five Central Public Sector Enterprises with the registered Offices in the State of Orissa, is as follows:

(Rs. in lakhs)

S.No	Name of PSU	Net Profit (+) (—) 1986-87	Net Loss during 1987-88	1988-89
1	National Aluminium Co.	(—)320	(—)5092	1892
2	Orissa Drugs & Chemicals Ltd.	(—)14	1	(—)27
3	Paradeep Phosphates Ltd.	(—)826	(—)2034	1371

The Neelachal Ispat Nigam Ltd. is under construction and no information from Utkal Ashok Hotel Corporation Ltd. is readily available.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

3968. Transferred to the 6th September, 1990).

Foreign hand in Forged letter sent by former Dy. Prime Minister

3069. SHRI JOHN F. FERNANDES: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of a report which appeared in the Indian Express dated the 1st August, 1990 wherein Union Minister has implicated foreign hand in the former Deputy Prime Minister's alleged forged letters episode;

(b) if so, whether Government have identified the foreign hand and filed F.I.R.; and

(c) what is the stage of enquiry?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENNSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir. Government have seen such a report.

(b) and (c) The Central Bureau of Investigation has registered a case on the forged letter issue and it is under investigation. It is not possible at this stage to say whether any foreign hand is involved in the matter.

Appointment on Compassionate Grounds

3070. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Supreme Court, in a recent judgement, has categorically enjoined upon Govt. for appointment of the ward of the decesed employees on compassionate grounds in relaxation of normal rules even by, creating, supernumary post in case no vacancy is available; and

(b) if so, necessary administrative orders that have been issued or are proposed to be issued in this regard to clear the heavy backlog of such appointment?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) and (b) In the judgement delivered on 25.8.89 in Civil Appeal No. 3642 of 1989 (Shrimati Sushma Gosain & Others Vs. Union of India & Others) the Supreme Court directed the Government to create a supernumerary post, if necessary, for offering appointment to Mrs. Sushma Gosain on compassionate grounds. This directive was issued by the Supreme Court in the peculiar circumstances of that case. It is not, therefore, considered necessary to issue any fresh instructions on the basis of the judgement.

Compassionate appointments are discretionary in character and the existing instructions already provide for appointment of the dependents of deceased Govt. servants in really deserving cases where the family is in need of immediate assistance.

Status of Judgements of Central Administrative Tribunals

3071. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the status of a judgement given by the Central Administrative Tribunal;

(b) whether it can be challenged in the Supreme Court; and

(c) whether Government are bound to accept a judgement of Central Administrative Tribunal?

THE PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI VISHWANATH PRATAP SINGH): (a) Administrative Tribunals created under a special law to deal with special categories of cases, like Central Administrative Tribunal which hears and decides cases relating to grievances of Central Government employees with regard to their service matters, are quasi judicial bodies and their decisions are quasi judicial.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Any party including the Government against whom a judgement is given by the Central Administrative Tribunal is bound to comply with the judgement unles the same is set aside by the Supreme Court.

सरकारी क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों पर श्वेत-पत्र

3072. **श्री बलराम सिंह यादव :** क्या प्रधान मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार ने दिनांक 11 जुलाई, 1990 के फाईनेन्शियल एक्सप्रैस में "व्हाईट पेपर ऑन पी.एस.यूस शीर्षक के अन्तर्गत छपे समाचार की ओर दिलाया गया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो क्या सरकार सरकारी क्षेत्र के उपक्रमों के संबंध में एक श्वेत-पत्र जारी करने का विचार रखती है ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इसे कब तक जारी कर दिया जायेगा ?

योजना मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री भाग्ये गोवर्धन) : (क) जी, हां।

(ख) और (ग) सरकारी क्षेत्र संबंधी श्वेत-पत्र जारी करने के विचार धीन है ।

Change in the Criteria for Defining Poverty Line

3073. SHRI KAMAL MORARKA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the change in the criteria for defining poverty line during the last ten years;